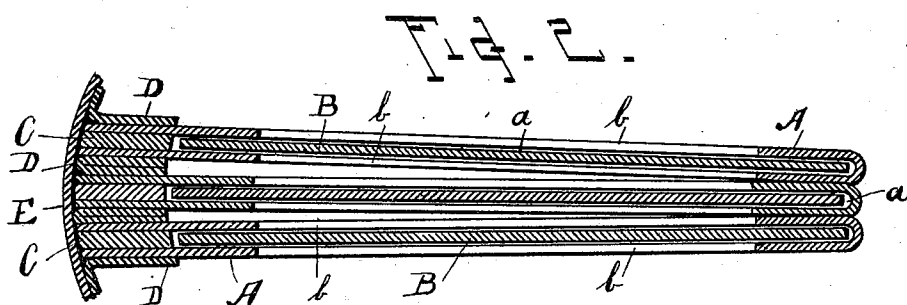
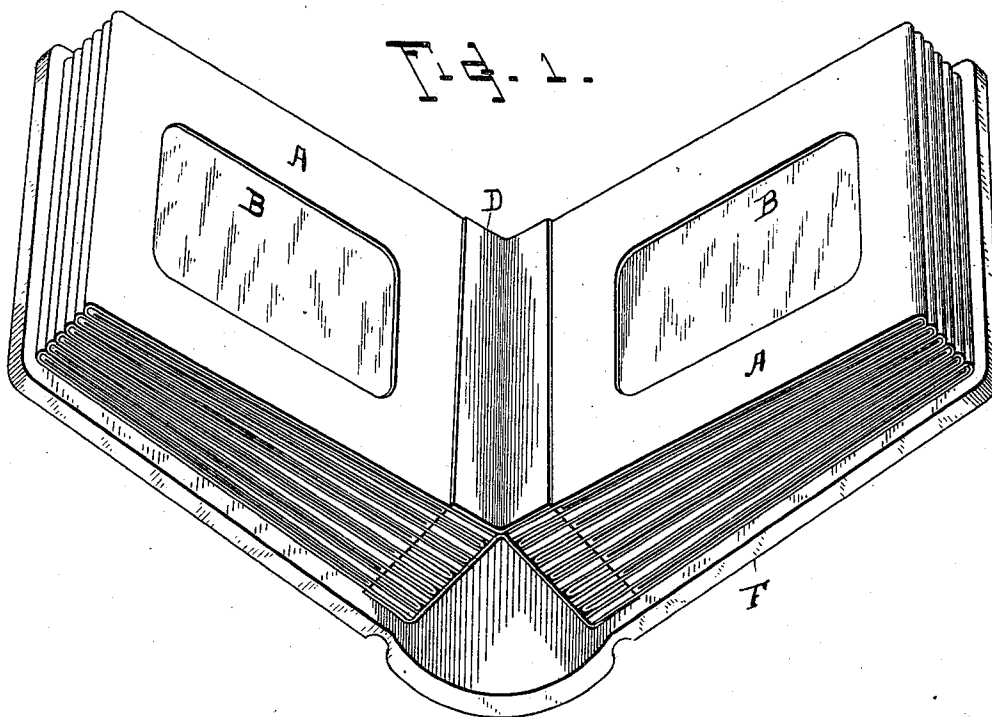


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SHERIDAN FORBES, a citizen of the United States, residing in Berkeley, county of Alameda, and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Photograph-Albums; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates more particularly to that class of albums which are used for unmounted photographs, pictures, &c.; and it consists in the manner of folding and binding the various leaves together.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient album, so that the photographs or pictures contained therein can be easily removed or interchanged, as the case may be.

A further object I have in view is to produce a cheap and effective article of manufacture.

The nature, characteristic features, and scope of my invention will be more fully understood from the following description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved album, and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal view, drawn to a very much enlarged scale, of three leaves.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout both views.

A represents permanent leaves; B, removable leaves; C, intermedial strips; D, binding-strips; E, backing-strips, and F the cover, all of which arranged and combined in the manner hereinafter described constitute my improved "album."

To carry out successfully my invention, the leaves A are folded to form each two independent sides or double leaf, the ends of which constitute the binding edge. Between the fold of each leaf near the back edge I glue or paste the intermedial narrow strip C, of suitable thickness, to form the receptacle *a* between the folds of the permanent leaves for the insertion of the removable leaf B. Upon the face sides of the removable leaf photographs or pictures may be mounted, and immediately opposite the latter I cut the open-

ing *b* through the respective side of the leaf, thus leaving the picture uncovered. These openings may be made before binding the leaves or, if preferable, by the purchaser. In this case they may be cut according to the size of the picture to be placed therein. The permanent leaves, constructed in the manner described, are then secured together near the binding edge by the binding-strip D, of which one portion is pasted or glued to the outer side of one leaf, while the other portion of the strip is pasted or glued to the outer side of the next leaf, and so on in the same manner to the next leaf until all the leaves are united together. This being done the middle portion of the backing-strip E is then glued to the back edges of the leaves and the central portion of the binding-strip, while its extreme ends are secured to the inner side of the cover in the usual manner.

The intermedial strip between the folds of each leaf and the connecting portions of the binding-strip between the leaves may be sewed together, if preferable, and the central or middle portion of each binding-strip may also be sewed to the backing-strip, if desired; but I prefer to glue them in their respective place, as it is much cheaper and just as effective as the latter-described method of securing them in position.

Thus believing that I have produced a novel and convenient album for the purpose of removing or interchanging photographs or pictures contained therein and having fully described the same, what I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by United States Letters Patent, is—

1. In a photograph-album, a series of open-face, double leaves, consisting of independent sheets of paper folded upon themselves at the front edge, and having the extreme ends of each sheet cut and bound together, to form the back edge, in combination with an intermedial strip secured between the folds of each sheet near the back edge, and a binding-strip between each two adjacent double sheets at the back edge, substantially as set forth and for the purpose described.

2. In a photograph-album, a series of open-face leaves, consisting of independent sheets of paper folded and cut at the ends of each

sheet to form the binding edge, in combination with a removable leaf, placed between the folds of each sheet, adapted to hold a photograph or picture, and an intermedial strip
5 secured near the binding edge between the folds of each sheet, substantially as set forth and for the purpose described.

3. A photograph-album provided with a series of independent leaves folded and cut at
10 the extreme ends of each leaf to form the binding edge, and having an intermedial strip secured between the folds of each leaf, near the binding edge, in combination with bind-

ing-strips secured to the outer sides of each leaf, at the binding edge, and a backing-strip 15 secured centrally to the binding-strips and the cover, substantially as set forth and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 16th 20 day of September, A. D. 1898.

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